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A series of historical photographs was prepared by Walker & Associates for the project site vicinity; photographs from 1936, 1946, 1956, 1960, 1969, 1974, and 1980 are included. These photographs were enlarged to a scale of 1 in:150 ft to show sitespecific details. They were scanned at high resolution, and the images were then cropped and labeled to indicate the location of present-day T-117. The following observations were based on viewing the full extent of each photograph, so some of the outlying features discussed are not visible. The full scanned images are available on request; files range in size from 5–8 MB.

1936

16th Ave S and the South Park Bridge are clearly visible in this photograph, as are Dallas Ave S, and 16th Ave S. Only a portion of 17th Ave S is visible where it intersects with Dallas Ave. Donovan St is present, and Dallas Ave can be observed extending down the west shoreline area of the river. Residences can be seen on the parcels between 16th and 17th Ave S. There is no evidence of industrial activities within the study area. The land east of Dallas Ave is undeveloped, and trails can be seen extending east to the river shoreline. An inland ridge can be seen running parallel to the river alignment. This ridge may be the former "cut line" for the river channel, or it could be earlier fill deposited on the upland areas in prior years. A bench can be observed between this line and the shoreline tide flats that may consist of dredged fill placed during the early 20th century.

1946

In contrast to the 1936 photograph, this photo shows evidence of industrial activities beginning on the properties east of Dallas Ave. Mobile homes can be observed in the north portion of the present-day location of South Park Marina, and the beginning of a boat dock can be seen extending into the river. New roadways are present in the T-117 vicinity. A building corresponding with the location of A-B Barrel Company can be seen in the boatyard area. Limited clearing and grading can be observed south of the present-day Boeing South Park plant location. Of particular interest are the structures and shoreline modifications along the riverbank. A row of piles can be observed in the vicinity of the shoreline power pole structure, and additional sediment has accumulated in the intertidal area. Several cuts into the intertidal area (dredged areas) can also be observed. Unidentified structures (boathouses) can be seen on the shoreline in the boat yard and mobile home park shoreline areas.

1956

This photo shows evidence of extensive filling in the T-117 vicinity. Recent graded fill can be observed in north portion of the future terminal area and extends out to the piling noted in the 1946 photo. Structures and tanks associated with the Duwamish Manufacturing Company are readily apparent. Dallas Ave terminates at Donovan St; the area to the south is occupied by a huge earthmoving/grading project in the present-day vicinity of Boeing South Park. The Basin Oil Plant vicinity is still occupied by several residential structures.

1960

This photo shows the site beginning to take on its modern configuration. The South Park Boat Haven operation is clearly visible and the mobile home park is still operating at the north end of the study area. Additional warehouse or plant structures are present at the Duwamish Manufacturing Co. location. The Boeing South Park area is paved and a large building is located on the west-central portion of the site. The Basin Oil vicinity still appears to be primarily residential. The roadway "pond" feature is visible in the roadway at the east side of T-117. A small, possibly commercial structure can be observed at the south end of 17th Ave S (north of Donovan Rd) at the eventual location of Allied Bolt Co.

1969

Features are similar to the 1960 photograph. An additional building is present at the Boeing South Park location. There is a pronounced drainage ditch at the south side of the present-day T-117 property, extending from the south terminus of Dallas Ave east to the river. A small building is located on the north side of this ditch. Also, the north office building (present location of International Inspection) at T-117 is present. The vicinity of Basin oil still appears to be primarily residential. The shoreline area appears to have a rip-rap texture.

1974

There is little change from the 1969 features. Several new tanks can be seen in the Duwamish Manufacturing plant area. A new commercial structure is evident at the northeast corner of Donovan St and 16th Ave S, possibly associated with Allied Bolt Company.

1980

The south metal building at the south end of the T-117 vicinity is in place. The Basin oil vicinity is still primarily residential. The large commercial building occupied by Allied Bolt company (and eventually occupied by Fasteners Inc and then by the Seattle Chocolate Company) can be seen at the north side of Donovan St between 16th and 17th Avenues S.













